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**Amendments to the Abstract:**

Please substitute the new Abstract of the Disclosure submitted herewith  
on a separate page for the original Abstract presently in the application.

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

On a roof rack fixedly connected with the vehicle roof, a so-called loading aid is arranged which, in a loading position, can be swung out inclinedly on the sides of the vehicle, so that bicycles or the like can be placed on this loading aid by corresponding transport fixtures and, after being fitted with the bicycles, the loading aid can be pushed back into a transport position onto the roof.